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CHAUVEAU et al. )  
US patent application ) Art Unit : 1616  
N° 09/830,946  
Filed: November 22, 2001 ) Examiner : GOLLAMUDI, SHARMILA S

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AMENDMENT

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir :

In response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows :

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete without prejudice claims 9 to 20 and substitute therefor new claims 21 to 47

--21. Improved multiparticulate tablet which disintegrates in contact with the saliva in the mouth in less than 40 seconds, wherein it is based on particles of coated active principle which have intrinsic compression characteristics, and on a mixture of excipients, the ratio of excipient mixture to coated active principle particles being 0.4 to 6 parts by weight, the mixture of excipients comprising: a disintegration agent; a soluble diluent agent with binding properties which consists of a directly compressible polyol having less than 13

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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

- Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL CLAIMS	MINUS 27	** 20	= 7	x 9 \$	x 18 \$ 126
INDEP CLAIMS					
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any further filing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 for presentation of extra claims or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-0075. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached if any fees are calculated to be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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